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TO AMEMBASSY ABIDJAN PRIORITY

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SUBJECT: AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT FUND (AFDF)

REF: STATE 263241

1. IN ACCORDANCE PRIOR DISCUSSION IN MANILA WITH AFDB
PRESIDENT FORDWAR, USG DELEGATION PLANS VISIT ABIDJAN
SECOND OR THIRD WEEK OF NOVEMBER TO FINALIZE USG MEMBER-
SHIP IN AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT FUND. WILL ADVISE ON EXACT
ARRIVAL DATE WHICH DEPENDS ON TIMING PRESIDENTIAL SIGNA-
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TURE OF ENABLING DOCUMENTATION. AMBASSADOR MONTEAGLE

STEARNS AND DCM COOKE WILL BE AUTHORIZED SIGNATORY. EVEN IF AMBASSADOR STEARNS HAS NOT YET PRESENTED HIS CREDENTIALS, HE IS LEGALLY AUTHORIZED TO SIGN USG RATIFICATION OF FUND AGREEMENT UNLESS HE HAS OBJECTION TO DOING SO. IN WHICH CASE, COOKE IS ALSO AUTHORIZED TO SIGN. TREASURY REPRESENTATIVES WILL BE JOHN GAASERUD, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT BANKS, MATTHEW HENNESEY AFRICA DEVELOPMENT FUND DESK OFFICER, AND MICHAEL GADBAW, GENERAL COUNSEL'S OFFICE. STATE REPRESENTATIVE WILL BE ROBERT DUNCAN, DIRECTOR, AFRICA BUREAU ECONOMIC POLICY STAFF. AID OFFICER ALSO NEEDS TO BE DESIGNATED.

2. BELIEVE IT DESIRABLE PRESENT UNIFIED USG APPROACH TO BOTH FUND AND BANK. THEREFORE, IT AGREED DELEGATION WILL ALSO DISCUSS CURRENT AND FUTURE THRUSTS OF AID GRANT TO AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK AS DESCRIBED IN AA/AFR SCOTT'S OCT. 18 LETTER TO PRESIDENT FORDWOR AND SUMMARIZED REFTEL. DETAILS WILL BE WORKED OUT AT LOWER LEVEL BY AID-BANK REPRESENTATIVES AT LATER SEPARATE SESSIONS, I.E., TIMING OF EVALUATION/PROJECT PAPER DESIGN TEAM, TYPES AND ARRIVAL DATES OF AMERICAN TECHNICAL ADVISORS, TIMING OF AID-PROVIDED TEAM TO DRAFT SCOPE OF WORK FOR BANK-FINANCED MODERNIZATION STUDY, ETC.

3. REQUEST REDSO/WA DIRECTOR WEDEMAN OR HIS DESIGNEE REPRESENT AID DURING INITIAL DISCUSSIONS WITH PRESIDENT FORDWOR IF THEY OCCUR PRIOR TO WEEK OF NOVEMBER 15. OTHERWISE, AFR/RA HILL WILL JOIN DELEGATION AND WORK OUT PROJECT DETAILS WITH REDSO/WA PROJECT OFFICERS NELSON AND LARYEA DURING WEEK NOV. 15.

4. PLEASE ADVISE YOUR REACTION. ROBINSON

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